FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Savel Robert Michael II			Date of Event equiring Staten Month/Day/Year 3/30/2007	nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PDL BIOPHARMA, INC. [PDLI]						
(Last) C/O PDL BIC	(First) PHARMA, INC	(Middle)				tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director	rson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
34801 CAMPUS DRIVE					X	Officer (give title below) S V P Technical Ope	Other (specify below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
(Street) FREMONT	CA	94555				3 V F Technical Op	erations			y More than One	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
						ally Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
Ex			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securiti Underlying Derivative Security		ty (Instr. 4) Conve		se Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
			Date Exercisable	Expiratior Date	n Title	,	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Immediately prior to the event requiring the filing of this statement, the reporting person did not beneficially own any securities of the issuer.

No securities are beneficially owned.

<u>/s/ Robert Savel</u> <u>04/03/2007</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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